

Dear KPS Families,

Welcome to October!

The school year is off to a great start. The children are settling into a routine and getting familiar with their new environment.

It is normal for children to have an array of mixed emotions about school. They are learning a lot of new information, following new rules and routines, making new friends, and most importantly, learning how to be away from you and their home. Be patient and supportive. Reinforce the positive and acknowledge their fears. Make sure to communicate with your child's teacher any concerns you may have.

Maintaining health and safety continues to be our top priority. The Covid policies and procedures we have in place are specifically designed and implemented to help keep our children, families, and staff members healthy and safe. With that in mind, we kindly ask you to please continue helping us by always wearing masks or facial coverings while on campus and continue having your children wear their masks and wash their hands. We appreciate your support.

Looking forward to a great month at KPS!

Feel free to contact me if you have any questions or comments.

Sincerely,

Adriana

Blessing of the Animals

This Sunday, October 3, at 8:30 AM and 10:30 AM Kensington Community Church will host the annual Blessing of the Animals Service. Both services are identical in content and will last about 30-minutes in length. Following each service, Pastor Darryl will offer an opportunity for you to have your pet or animal personally blessed. Bring your pet with you to church or bring along a picture of your pet and Pastor Darryl will bless it and give you a Certificate of Blessing. There will also be a special moment to remember all our beloved pets that we have lost. KCC will also host a small animal petting zoo!

The worship service will be held outside on the front lawn of the church. To keep people as safe as possible, we ask everyone to wear their masks while on campus. And we ask all dogs to be leashed and cats/bunnies/birds/and the like be in a crate or their enclosure to keep them safe and calm.

2s Class News Ms. Soila and Ms. Brenda

We are so excited to start a new month!

Children are having lots of fun during art and free play time. We have many fun projects planned for Halloween coming up.

Happy Spooky Month!

Themes

October 4 – 7: All About Me (Brenda) October 11 – 14: Family and Pets (Soila) October 18 – 21: Halloween (Brenda) October 25 – 28: Halloween: (Soila)

Happy Birthday to Townes Mock 🥮

3s Class News Ms. Mari and Ms. Francine

We can't believe it's already October! We have a very exciting month coming up. The children will be learning how fall leaves change color and how pumpkins grow. We will also be learning about ourselves and finishing the month with Halloween fun.

Themes

October 4 – 8: All About Me (Francine) October 11 – 15: Season of Fall (Mari) October 18 – 22: Halloween (Francine) October 25 – 29: Halloween (Mari)

Happy Birthday to Julian Arriaga 🥮

Note: Please remember to send your child to school with appropriate school shoes (sneakers). Please no jelly shoes, sandals, or crocs. Thank you!

4s Class News Ms. Sandi, Ms. Yasmin, and Ms. Gemma

Greetings From Our Busy 4s Class!

In October we're gearing up for a fun-filled month with themes of Fall Harvest, Season Changes, and wrapping up with Pumpkins and Halloween. Developmentally, we will work on self-help skills, letter and name recognition and fine motor mastery.

We'd like to give a warm welcome to our new teacher, Ms. Gemma, who is a very welcome addition to our classroom.

Thank you for sharing your children with us!

Themes

October 4 – 8: Fall into Autumn (Yasmin) October 11 – 15: Fall into Autumn (Sandi) October 18 – 22: Fall Harvest (Yasmin) October 25 – 29: Pumpkins and Halloween (Sandi)

Happy Birthday to Grayson Veomett and Lewis Wiggins 🥮

Scholastic Book Club – orders due today, October 1

A special THANK YOU to Kyla Omilusik (Keaton - 4s) for volunteering her time to help with the Scholastic Book Club this school year.

If you wish to order books, please do so today through the Scholastic website. Every order earns KPS points that can be used for books and resources by our teachers.

If you have any questions, please contact Kyla at <u>kppascholastic@gmail.com</u>.

Thank you!

Earthquake Kits

The earthquake kits have arrived! These kits have a fiveyear shelf life and include a three-day supply of food and water, a solar blanket, wet naps, and a 12-hour light stick. They will be stored in your child's classroom while your child attends preschool at KPS and will be given to you when your child leaves our preschool.

The price is \$12 per kit.

A form for you to sign is available outside your child's class entrance. Please specify if you would like to pay via ACH or personal check. ACH payments will be deducted in November.

Thank you!

Lunch Bunch and Stay & Play with Ms. Soila and Ms. Brenda

Lunch Bunch and Stay & Play begins on Monday, October 4!

This program is offered weekly from Monday through Thursday for our students in the 3s and 4s classes. It will be held in the 3-year-old classroom on Alder Dr. adjacent to the playground. Please sign up in advance and make sure to check the box to indicate if your child will stay only for Lunch Bunch (12 - 1 PM), or both Lunch Bunch and Stay & Play (12 - 2 PM). The children will join some of their classmates for an extra hour or two of fun, playground time, lunch, and special activities.

Send your child to school with a healthy lunch in a labeled lunch box. Please no gum, candy, or soda. We recommend simple foods – preferably items that don't require heating. You may include an ice pack if needed.

Remember, we are a **nut-free** school. Please don't send any nuts or foods that contain nuts, including peanut butter.

The cost for this program is \$5 per hour. You will be charged via ACH at the end of the month. Pick up is at the 3s class entrance. Remember to sign out your child at the end of the day and please be on time.

Thank you!

2s CLASS SNACK CALENDAR

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
4	5	6	7	
Renee	Rocco	Quinn		
11	12	13	14	
Reino		Ben	Jackson	
18	19	20	21	
Townes		Renee	Bennett	
25	26	27	28	
Zoey	Isabella	Julian	Luca	

3s CLASS SNACK CALENDAR

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
4	5	6	7	Jacob 1
Julian	Mila	Taylor	Mika	8
11	12	13	14	15
William	Luca	Davis	Mila	Jacob
18	19	20	21	22
Julian	Luca	Mila	Mika	Taylor
25	26	27	28	29
William	Santiago	Davis	Santiago	Keanan

4s CLASS SNACK CALENDAR

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
4	5	6	7	Austin 1
Gunnar	Lewis	Henry	Arielle	Austin 8
11	12	13	14	15
Finn	Olive	Francisco	Elora	Miles
18	19	20	21	22
Fiona	Frankie	Odessa	Jamie	James
25	26	27	28	29
Keaton	Chloe	Hank	Clover	Ashton